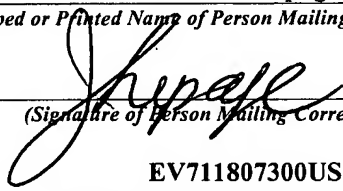


FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 2-2005)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <b>GER-0711</b>
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES          DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)          CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">10/541632</div>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/FR2003/003742</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>16 December 2003</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>3 January 2003</b>
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>INSTALLATION FOR THE RECOVERY OF A POLLUTING FLUID CONTAINED IN AT LEAST ONE TRANSVERSE SECTION OF THE TANKS OF A SUNKEN VESSEL</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>JEAN-LUC DABI</b>		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).</li> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).</li> </ol>		
<b>Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>21. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. <b>EV711807300US</b></li> <li>23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:  <div style="padding-left: 20px;">Claim for Priority under 35 U.S.C. 119</div> </li> </ol>		

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The following fees are submitted:				<b>CALCULATIONS</b>	<b>PTO USE</b>
24. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee .....		\$300		\$	\$300.00
25. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4). ....		\$100		\$	\$200.00
All other situations. ....		\$200			
26. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee .....					
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority .....		\$100			
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office .....		\$400		\$	\$400.00
All other situations. ....		\$500			
<b>TOTAL OF 24, 25 and 26 =</b>				\$	\$900.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole)	RATE		
- 100 =	0 /50 =	0	x \$250.00	\$	\$0.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	10 - 20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$	\$0.00
Independent claims	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> + \$360.00				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	\$900.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	\$0.00
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	\$900.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	\$900.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property +				\$	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$	\$900.00
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<p>a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>06-1130</u> in the amount of <u>\$900.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-1130</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>					
<p><b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:  <b>Daniel F. Drexler, Reg. No. 47,535</b>  <b>CANTOR COLBURN LLP</b>  <b>55 Griffin Road South</b>  <b>Bloomfield, CT 06002</b>  <b>Telephone: 860-286-2929</b>  <b>Customer No.: 23413</b></p>					
				SIGNATURE	
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Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No. 23413	Group Art Unit
Invention: <b>INSTALLATION FOR THE RECOVERY OF A POLLUTING FLUID CONTAINED IN AT LEAST ONE TRANSVERSE SECTION OF THE TANKS OF A SUNKEN VESSEL</b>				
<p>I hereby certify that the following correspondence:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 10px 0;"><b>Patent Application under 35 U.S.C. 371; Preliminary Amendment; IDS; PTO 1449; Priority Sheet</b></div> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Identify type of correspondence)</i></p> <p>is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>July 5, 2005</u> <i>(Date)</i></p> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"><u>Jennifer Lepage</u> <i>(Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence)</i></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <i>(Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence)</i></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><u>EV711807300US</u> <i>("Express Mail" Mailing Label Number)</i></div>				
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